## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: K. Torpy et al.

Group Art Unit: 3742

Serial No.: 09/787,496

Examiner: Leonid M Fastovsky

Filed: 10/17/2001

Attorney Docket: HAC-034

Title: Thin Film Heating Element

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on this day with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed

to: Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Jay P. Sbrollini

Date

RECEIVED

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

MAY 1 3 2004

Sir:

**TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700** 

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION **UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

This is a timely reply to a Final Office Action dated March 4, 2004. As no changes to the number of claims have been made, it is believed that no fee is due. However, if any additional fee is due, please charge the fee to deposit account no. 07-1732.